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Miss Christopher To Wed John A. McMullin In May



JANICE M. CHRISTOPHER

St. John's Musical Friday

Final plans have been formulated for Friday night's showing ary chairmen of arrangements

Church. There will be one per- the cast or behind the scenes and formance only with the curtain every indication points to a sell going up sharply at 8 p. m.

Tickets will be available at the door with children and senior recting the Irish show with Fred

citizens tickets at half price. Rev. Desparlais accompanist and Bud-

Walter J. Joyce and Rev. Albert dy Baker on the drums.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Christopher of 170 Meadow St., Agawam, announce the engagement of their daughter, Janice Marie, to John Andrew McMullin, son of Mr. Robert H. McMullin, Sr., and the late Mrs. McMullin, of South Longyard Rd., Southwick.

Miss Christopher a graduate of Agawam High School and Springfield Technical Community Col-

Guild for the benefit of St. John's

Blanchard and Guild president,

Supper March 22

The United Women's Fellow-

ship of the Agawam Baptist Church will hold a Spaghetti Sup-

per in Bodurtha Hall at the

church on Saturday evening,

ghetti and meat balls, tossed sal-

ad, Italian bread, dessert and bev-

The menu will consist of spa-

Reservations must be made by

All proceeds will go to the In-

dian Orphanage known as the Murrow Indian School in Ba-

cone, Okla. This is a special mis-

sion project of the Massachusetts

March 22 from 5:30 to 7.

fice 734-0700.

Baptist Women.

Baptist Spaghetti

"Come Back To Erin"

of "Come Back to Erin," as pre-sented by St. John the Evangelist with Mrs. Thor eral chairman,

(Grenier-Ducharme, Photographers) Therapist at Springfield Hospital

Medical Center.

Her fiance, a Southwick High School, is at-Northeast Broadcast tending School in Boston, He served two years in the Navy aboard the USS Forrestal CUA 59, and is employed at Sears and Roebuck Co., in Boston.
A May 31 wedding in St. John

lege is employed as an Inhalation the Evangelist Church is planned.

with Mrs. Thomas Danford, gen-

Jr. Women's Club

ard House at 8 p.m.

Over 200 are participating in

Lions Club Dinner Set For Saturday

Agawam Lions Club General Chairman, Frank Chriscola, announced that all plans have been finalized for the Corned Beef and Cabbage Supper which will be held at the Agawam Junior High School on March 15, with continuous serving from 5-7 p.m.

All funds derived from this supper will be used for several worthy community projects conducted by the Agawam Lions Club.

Tickets may be obtained from any member or at the door. Adult tickets are \$1.75 and children's tickets are \$1.00. Tickets will also be available at door.

Hope to see you all there.

Agawam Town Meeting To Make Ten Million Dollar Decision

Saturday, will act upon the peti- ing building to 250 apartments tion of Gastown, Inc., to con-struct a ten million dollar adult residential community of Luxury Townhouse Apartments, to be located at the corner of South and Suffield Streets, Agawam, former Bonomi Twin Brook Farm.

It was pointed out by David Gallano, chairman of the Business Development Commission, that Gastown, Inc., is the only developer seeking a zone change who has included the restrictive clauses and had them recorded at the Registry of Deeds. These

The Agawam Town Meeting, Restrictive Clauses include limita year, only 40 permits issued at a time, and that the Department of Public Works can limit or stop bulding at any time it is decided that the sewer capacity is affected.

Mr. Gallano added, "Mr. Stanley owns this property—he is no speculator waiting for a favorable vote before completing the purchase. He put his money where his mouth is and showed his faith and confidence in the future of Agawam. It is encouraging to see a man who has already invested over half a million dollars in Agawam, willing to make a ten million dollar additional investment."

Mr. Gallano added, "this much needed revenue could greatly benefit Agawam. At present the total tax revenue from all existing apartments is approximately \$340,000. The Southgate Village complex alone could add approximately \$340,000 to the town tax revenue. As this tract is only approximately 1% of the available land in Agawam, and as

only 10% of the land will be (Please Turn To Page 2)

The Merriweds Will Present Showcase Americana, March 22

The Merriweds of the Agawam, plants, china jewelry, and skill-Congregational Church will sponsor "Showcase Americana" on Saturday, March 22, from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. at the church, Main St., Agawam. "Showcase Americana" is an exhibition and sale put on by a group of talented New England craftsmen. They represent a wide variety of skills in the Early American vein.

Among the items offered for

sale will be: pierced tin, china, three types of weaving, original puttery, pewter spoons poured in antique molds, stained glass medalions, replicas of antique butter, cheese and sewing boxes, decorated wooden ware, carved and painted decoys and shore birds, beeswax candles, candles Williamsburg feeling. The Bell poured in old molds, apple head Ringers will perform in the sancdolls, doll furniture made to tuary at two o'clock. The public scale, hand knit, aprons, unusual is urged to attend.

fully decorated sugar ducks and easter eggs. Unusual, one of a kind crafts, will emerge from a workshop in Princeton. For antique lovers, there will be small antiques and a large amount of antique jewelry.

The Coffee Shop, open all day, will maintain the Early American atmosphere with its colonial gowned waitresses - complete to their crisp white dust caps. Delicious homemade goodies will be available in the Bake Shop.

People who have not visited this new "colonial" church will enjoy seeing the interior which was built and decorated with a

Women's Club Food Sale Friday

The Agawam Women's Club will sponsor a Food Sale on March 14th beginning at 9 a. m., at the Agawam Food Mart for the benefit of the Scholarship

The fund constitutes a \$200 gift which will be presented to a worthy student who is a child or grandchild of one of the mem-

Mrs. Charles Hodges is the chairman of the Scholarship Committee with Mrs. Bruno and Mrs. Joseph Ferrara assisting.

Day Dinner-Dance March 15



Sacred Heart Church St. Patrick's

To Meet Tuesday President and Guest Night will be held by The Agawam Junior Women's Club on Tuesday, March 18th at the Captain Charles Leon-

Presidents of other Fourteenth District Women's Clubs along with past presidents of the Agaway Junior Women's Club are invited to join the festivities of an International Evening and

March 18th with Marjorie Greenough, 736-2614; Shirley Goss, 734-2415; or the church of-The regular business meeting will preceed a buffet featuring an assortment of entree's and desserts from a various countries.

Decor and entertainment for the evening will evolve around the International Theme.

Hostess for the evening will be Mrs. Joseph A. Masciotra.

Committee chairmen are shown completing plans for the St. Patrick's Dinner and Dance of the Sacred Heart Church to be held Saturday at St. Ann's Country Club on Shoemaker Lane. Mr. John McCarthy, refreshment chairman, Mrs. Marcel Bedard, ticket chairman and Mr. John O'Toole, chairman, are shown making the final arrangements. Dinner will be served from 6 to 8 p.m., dancing will follow The Sacred Heart Church of Domenick as guest soloist.

Feeding Hills, will hold its annual St. Patrick's Day dinneron Shoemaker Lane, March 15th.

A large variety of choice food the season. will be served from 6 to 8 p.m.,

Rev. George Linse, honorary chairman, has appointed Mr. John dance at St. Ann's Country Club O'Toole and Mr. Elmer Cleary as chairmen for this gala social of

The following will assist, kitchfollowed by dancing. Music for the evening will be provided by The Hi Lites with Mrs. Stanley (Please Turn To Page 3) (Please Turn To Page 3)

Guild Will Hear Handwriting Analyst

Agawam Guild, Holy Family League of Charity will hold their March meeting on Tuesday evening at 8 in Storrowton Inn.

Handwriting anaylist and portrait painter, Mrs. Mazury O'Connell, will be guest speaker, introduced by program chairman, Mrs. Roger Poirier, Mrs. Charles Tyler will preside at the busi-

ness meeting.
Plans will be announced for the May 7 spring card party to be sponsored by the Guild with committe reports to be heard.

Lenten savers will be distributed by Miss Jo Lango, financial secretary.

Gifts for the month are bibs (Please Turn To Page 2)

Agawam Coin Club To Meet March 19

Mr. George Schmidt, well-known authority on proof sets, will be the guest speaker at the March 19th meeting of the Aga-wam Coin Club meeting to be held at the Agawam Baptist Church.

He will speak on Proof sets of the world. There will also be a door prize and a raffle.

Members are reminded that any article must be displayed before the meeting before it can be considered as a door prize or as a raffle.

CHURCH NEWS

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill Street, Agawam Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister Mrs Kenneth Alexander, Organist Miss Donna Ashton, Organist

Mrs. Marshall Keyes,
Sanctuary Choir Director
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander,
Junior/Youth Choir Director Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Work meeting for Country Fun Fair.

Friday: 6:15 p.m. Bowling teams at West Side.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. The Church at Worship; nursery for infants; One Great Hour of Sharing; Church School in session until 10:45 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour; 5:30 p.m. Pastor's Membership Training Class for Youth — until 6:30; 6:30 p.m.

Youth Group.
Tuesday: 6:10 p.m. Youth
Choir practice; 6:45 p.m. Junior Choir practice; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir practice.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist Mrs. Nancy Lund, Choir Director. Mrs. Barbara Briggs,

Church Secretary Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m. The Home Lenten meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Goss, Sr., on Elm St.

Saturday: 9 p.m. Senior BYF will continue their paper drive in the community.

Sunday: 9:30 p.m. Morning Worship — Rev. Lockhart will preach sermon at the morning service and the Senior Choir will sing; 10:30 a.m. Church School.

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Melody Choir rehearsal at church; 6:30 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Club meet at church; 8 p.m. Home Lenten meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Ma-

Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post open; 8 p.m. Home Lenten meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meyer, Jr.

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister Mrs. A. G. Toussaint,

Minister of Music Thursday—12 noon, Ladies Aid Society meeting — Mrs. Lawrence Schoppee (United Church Women) will be the speaker. Her subject will be "Utah, Mountains, Minerals and Mormons.'

Friday—4:15 p.m. Pastor's class for 9th Graders; 7 p.m. Boy Scouts meeting; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary choir rehearsal.

Saturday-8:45 a. m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday-9 a.m. Church at morning Worship-Rev. Bryan preaching and church school -Nursery thru 6th Grade; 10 a.m. Church school, 7th thru 12th Grade; 11 a.m. Church at morning Worship-Rev. Bryan preaching and church school, nursery thru 6th Grade; 7 p.m. Pilgrim Fellowship meeting.

Monday-7 p. m. Cub Scout

Tuesday - 6:30 p.m. Senior choir rehearsal; 7:30 p.m. Church Council meeting.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St. Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney, Minister

Randall L. Noftall, Organist Cynthia A. Meyer, Choir Director Thursday: 6:30 p.m. Cherub Choir rehearsal; 7 p.m. Senior

Choir rehearsal. Friday: 7:30 p.m. Meeting of the Board of Religious Education and Church School Staff in the Spear Room.

Sunday-10 a.m. Church School for nursery through grade 6; 10 a.m. Worship Service. One Great Hour of Sharing Offering.

Monday — 6:30 p.m. Church School for grades 7, 8, 9; 8 p.m. Meeting of the Ladies Benevolent Society in Griswold Hall.

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

152 South Westfield St. Feeding Hills

"THE CHURCH ON THE HILL" Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist

Mrs. Richard Orr. Church Secretary Saturday: 6:30 p.m. Hilltop-

pers family dinner and play. Sunday: 10 a.m. Morning Worship with sermon: "Parables of Jesus," and Sunday School Classes in Dunn Community

A Wee Bit O' Green



Shamrock Cheese Muffins are like kissing the Blarney Stone and a-wearin' o' the green on March 17; they help to usher in the spirit of Saint Patrick's Day and make it all the more gay. An easy corn muffin mix plus grated Parmesan cheese mean easy preparation and flavorful results. Olive "shamrocks" add a delicate taste of their own as well as a decorative effect. Tiny Shamrock Cheese Muffins might become a Saint Patrick's custom at your house.

> Shamrock Cheese Muffins Makes 36 miniature muffins

18 pitted green olives One 12-oz. pkg. Flako Corn Muffin Mix

1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese 1 egg, beaten 2/3 cup milk

Heat oven to hot (400° F.). Slice each olive crosswise into 6 center slices and 2 end slices. Set aside.

Combine mix and cheese. Add egg and milk. Blend only until dry ingredients are thoroughly moistened. Fill greased miniature muffin cups

On each muffin overlap three olive rings to form a shamrock design, Use pieces of end slices for stems. Bake in preheated oven (400°F.) 10 to 12 minutes or until golden brown. Serve piping hot.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

FEEDING HILLS Rev. George Linse, C.S.S. Rev. James Shea, C.S.S. Saturday-4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Confessions. Sunday-6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30

a. m. Masses. Tuesday-7:30 p.m. Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S. Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S. Saturday-4 to 5 p.m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. confessions.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays-7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Week days-7 a.m. and 5:30

Holy days-7 and 9 a.m., 5:30

and 7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tuler, Vicar Thursday-7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop #79 meets in parish hall. Friday — 3:15 p.m. Junior choir practices at the church. Sunday-8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Holy Communion; 7 p.m. Evening Prayer and Youth Fellowship.

Wednesday-9 a.m. Mid-week Prayer and Communion service; 7:30 p.m. Senior choir practice.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce Rev. Albert Blanchard Saturday — Confessions 4 to 5:45 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.
MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday-6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday-5:30 p.m., Mass fol-lowed by Miraculous Medal No-

ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard MASS SCHEDULE Daily Mass-7 a.m.

Saturday-8 a.m. Mass - 4:30 and 7:30 Confessions.

Sunday — 7, 9 and 11 a.m.

March 9, 1830 - The first company to use "Trust Company" as part of its title was the City Bank Farmer's Trust Company in New York which was chartered on this date.

Snow Vacations Strain School Term

Boston - School children in Massachusetts received some unexpectedly prolonged midyear vacations because of the state's three recent snowstorms, but they may have to make up the time lost at the end of the school year.

State law demands that there be 180 school days per year, and because of the storms some communities may find their schools still holding classes in July if this quota is to be met.

Only the state Board of Education can waive the quota. The board is expected to receive waiver requests at its next regular meeting, which is scheduled for

Thursday. Dr. Neil D. Sullivan, State Commissioner of Education, said Tuesday he will ask the board to act on the requests as quickly as possible.

Town Meeting . . .

tontinued From Cage to used for housing - 1/10th of 1% of the available land, producing \$340,000 plus in taxes, is a real opportunity for Agawam."

A local business man pointed out that in 25 years this additional tax revenue could be used to pay for the new five million dollar school . . . or in 10 years could pay for the three million dollar sewer project . . . or pay for the new three million dollar Town Hall complex in ten years, including the Town Hall, Library, Police Station, Recreational Center and Department of Public Works.

He added, "Agawam needs this kind of investment and assistant in bearing the tax bur-

Guild Will Hear.

(Continued From Page 1) for toddlers, rubber pants for babies or pajamas for children 2-6 years. The gifts will be collected by Mrs. Francis Rosso, gift collector for the children at Our Lady of Providence Home at Brightside.

Hospitality is in charge of Mrs. Mary McCarthy, Mrs. Felix Pog-Mrs. Gustave Benoit, Mrs. Robert Carney, and Mrs. Wil-

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church and Second Sts. West Springfield, Mass. Larry Thornton, Pastor

Sunday-9:45 a.m. Bible School for all ages; 11 a.m. Morning worship service. Supervised nur sery service available upstairs in the church during both Bible School and morning service; 7 p.m. Evening Service

Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. Midweek prayer meeting and Bible

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Catholic Women's Club Meets For Dinner March 17

dinner meeting Monday evening, March 17, at 7:30 in St. John's parish hall. St. Patrick's decorations will be displayed throughout

A catered barbecue baked chicken dinner which will also feature lasagna, kielbasa and hot sausage will precede the enter tainment program to be presented by club members.

Dinner chairman, Mrs. Lenville Hart and co-chairman, Mrs. William Jones have appointed the following committees: tickets and reservations, Mrs. Frederick Carmody, Mrs. Douglas Daubney, Mrs. Frank Grabinski, Mrs. William Oliver, Mrs. Bernard Ta-tro; favors, Mrs. Arthur Fortier, Mrs. Ethel Meldrum; decorations, Mrs. John Ayers, Mrs. Peter Mazza; seating, Mrs. Carl Rob-

The musical presentation which is always a highlight of this annual meeting enabling club members to display their talents and creative abilities will include the following participants; Mrs. Robert Anderson, Mrs. Robert Carney, Mrs. Edmund Colby, Mrs.

Benevolent Society To Meet Monday

The Ladies Benevolent Society of the Feeding Hills Congrgational Church will hold their meeting on March 17th at 8 p.m. in the church hall. Mrs. Richard Taylor, president, will conduct the business meeting.

Girl Scout Troop #57, which is sponsored bp the church, will present the program and serve refreshments. Mrs. Doris Hastings is the leader of the troop.

All women are invited and urged to attend.

Sacred Heart . . .

nold, Mrs. Atteo deBiasio, Mrs. John McCarthy, Mrs. John Rys, Mrs. Wilfred Regnier, Mrs. Dorothy Marquis, Mrs. Walter Meissner, Mrs. Edward Plante, Mrs. George McDonnell, Mrs. Richard Potito, Mrs. Wm. Littlefield, Mrs. Ephrem Lamoureux, Mrs. V. Kozolowski and Mrs. Nelson La-Francis. Refreshments: Mr. Delmo Draghetti, Mr. Nick Rosati,

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Mr. John Greguoli, Mr. George Seymour, Mr. Walter Monkiewicz, Mr. Henry Waniewski, Mr. Joseph Nacewicz, Mr. Francis Karakla, Mr. Robert Fahey, Mr. George Mc Donnell, Mr. John Mc-Carthy, Mr. Ernest Dumond and Mr. Walter Karakla, Decorations: Mrs. Ernest Dumond. Prizes and

Publicity: Mrs. Richard Ramponi. Tickets are available at the rectory or from any of the chairmen. Only a limited number will be sold so those planning to attend are advised to get them



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The Catholic Women's Club of James Collins, Mrs. Timothy Col-Agawam will hold their annual lins, Mrs. Phillip DeForge, Mrs. James Doyle, Mrs. Roland Filiault, Mrs. Bruno Grabowski, Mrs. Roger Heywood, Mrs. Arnold Jerry, Mrs. Bernard LeDuc, Mrs. Peter Longo, Mrs. Henry Madden, Mrs. John Morin, Mrs. James O'Keefe, Sr., Mrs. Armand Phaneuf, Mrs. William Simpson, Mrs. James Taupier, Mrs. Felix Thompson, Mrs. Patrick Vassallo. Co-directors of the show are Mrs. Rene Cadorette and Mrs. Joseph Hamel; accompanist, Mrs. Thomas Doyle.

Mrs. Alexander Toczko, club president, is honorary chairman of this affair and Rev. Walter J. Joyce and Rev. Albert Blanchard will be honored guests.

St. David's Public Smorgasbord Sat.

The Activities Group of St. David's Church will sponsor a public smorgasbord on Saturday, the 15th, with continuous servings from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the parish house on Springfield St., Feeding Hills.

The menu will include roast turkey, baked ham, lasagna, spare ribs and sauerkraut, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, jellied salads, scalloped potatoes, relishes, rolls and butter, homemade pies, coffee, tea or milk.

Tickets will be available at the door or for reservations call Mrs. Charles Astifan at 737-7598.

When Foes **Become Friends**

Navy experts removed a live World War II mine from the anchor chain of the German ship Lohengrin in Harwich Harbor after the mine was accidentally pulled out of the harbor bottom.

Buried since the war, the 380pound mine was so rusted it was impossible to determine whether it was a British device sunk during the war to protect the harbor, or whether it was left by the Ger- future of the world. mans to blow up English ships.

Attends Confab At Williamsburg



GEORGE B. BICKFORD

George B. Bickford, Senior Class President at Agawam High School, attended the twelfth annual Williamsburg Student Conference at Colonial Williamsburg, Va., Feb. 15-19.

He is the president of the Massachusetts Assn. of Student Councils and was the only representative from Massachusetts at the conference.

The conference theme was "Patriot and Protestor: Can Youth Be Both" and George shared his ideas with students from 48 states and 36 foreign nations. His stay there consisted of discussions, tours and lectures. The featured speakers were Sterling Tucker, Director of Field Services for the National Urban League; Rachid Driss, Ambassa-dor of Tunisia to the United States, and W. Eugene Groves, former president of the National Student Assn.

The general consensus of the Harwich, England - British | students was that our nation was created by a massive protest and that protest is necessary in a progressive society, but when violence results all is lost, for it only widens the communications gap between the generations or races and creates mistrust.

George felt the conference was the most influential experience of his life, and that it has made him more optimistic about the

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs.

You don't have to be Irish

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George E. Bickford of 35 Elbert | will be received. A rehearsal for

Junior Grange #105 **Meeting Saturday**

Community Junior Grange No. 105 will hold a regular meeting on Saturday, March 15, at the Grange Home, North West St., Feeding Hills, at 2 o'clock.

ing applications for membership ci.

the degree to be conferred on April 5th wll take place. It is important that all officers at-

Arrangements will be made to attend the State-wide JG Day on March 29th, Crafts and games will complete the program. Refreshments will be served by At the regular business meet- Joan Werner and Celeste Galluc-

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The Coming of Spring

The welcome freshness of the new spring season approaches. Since the beginning of time, Spring has been nature's way of reminding man that life is a never-ending process. During the spring months of March, April, May and June, as the sun rises higher in the Northern Hemisphere, the trees leaf out, crops flourish, the scent of flowers fills the air and the new young of all nature's creatures look about them with wonder at the beauty of the land and the blueness of the sky. Depending upon where we live, our thoughts will turn to the pursuits of spring gardening, Easter bonnets, vacations, weekend treks to the coasts, mountains and lakes. One and all, we will enjoy the general state of somnolence known as spring fever that always makes its appearance after a dreary winter.

The springtime of life is now, and we should make the most of We should accept nature's invitation to enjoy the good things of creation, to lay aside bitterness, tension and prejudice. Spring is the time to start anew, and only the foolish will deny it.

LEGENDS OF THE CROSS

The rich history of the cross is shrouded in legend and superstition. A crucifix was said to have shed blood in 1512, during an Easter Day battle beween the French and Spanish. A statute of Christ on the cross reportedly performed healing wonders during the Plague of Malaga in 1649.

Legend also has it that when St. Francis of Assisi was praying, a voice from the crucifix told him, "Repair my house." At first he took "house" to mean church; when he later learned

that it meant his own spiritual life, he renounced his wordly goods and took up orders. And the old wives' tale still persists in some quarters that the Gypsies are accursed because one of them, a wayfaring metalsmith, made the nails that were used at the Crucifixion!

U.S. On the Move

One out of every five Americans changes his residence each

March 20, 1890 - The General Federation of Women's Clubs was organized in New York City.



World Book Lore

The custom of carrying a bride over a threshold seems to be based on Moslem superstition. The threshold is thought to be a favorite spot of jinni, and a bride is carried over the thresh-old for fear a jinni might be

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SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, hamburg on buttered bun, sweet potatoes, buttered green beans, cheese sticks, gingerbread w/topping, milk

Tuesday' Juice, toasted ham/ cheese on roll, buttered carrots, potato chips, peanut butter sandwich, cookies, milk.

Wednesday: Frankfurt/baked beans, cold slaw, bread/butter, cake w/chocolate sauce, milk.

Thursday: Juice, baked pork w/applesauce, buttered

bread/butter, mixed fruit, milk. Friday: Juice, egg salad on roll, buttered peas, potato chips, peanut butter sandwich, prune cake, milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Hamburg/gravy, mashed potato, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, tapioca pudding,

Tuesday: Juice, grinders (sliced cheese, meat, lettuce, tomato), potato chips, oat meal cookies, apple sauce, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, spaghetti w/meat balls, tossed salad, fruit cup, bread/butter, peanut butter

cookie, milk. Thursday: Juice, hamburg on bun w/cheese, stewed tomatoes, peanut butter sandwich, pineapple chunks, butter cookie, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna fish salad cabbage carrot salad, potato chips, bread/butter, pineapple upside down cake, milk.

DANAHY

Monday: Juice, frankfurt on buttered roll, carrots, orange blossom cake, milk.

Tuesday: Tomato soup w/rice and vegetables, meat or peanut butter sandwiches, fresh fruit, cookies, milk.

Wednesday: Macaroni in meat tomato sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Thursday: Juice, Shepherds Pie (hamburg, corn, mashed potatoes), bread/butter, ice cream,

Friday: Juice, tuna fish sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, cabbage carrot salad, cheese wedges, potato chips, applesauce, milk.

GRANGER

Monday: Juice, Sloppy Joe on water roll, buttered green beans, cheese cube, frosted cake square,

Tuesday: Juice, frankfurt on buttered bun, potato chips, relish, mustard, buttered carrots, fruit,

Wednesday: Oven fried chicken, candied sweet potato, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, fruit cocktail, milk.

Thursday: Juice, beef stew w vegetables and potatoes, buttered pan roll, chocolate peanut butter cookies, fresh fruit, milk

whole kernel corn, blueberry ping, milk. square, milk.

PEIRCE

Monday: Baked macaroni w hamburg & tomatoes, buttered wax beans, bread/butter, St. Patrick's Dessert, milk.

Tuesday: Orange Juice, Hot chicken sandwich w/brown gravy buttered peas, carrots, bread/ butter, peach peanut butter crisp,

Wednesday: Beef vegetable stew, carrot and celery sticks, hot cheese muffins, peanut butter sandwich, orange-grapefruit sections, milk.

Thursday: Citrus fruit juice, meat ball grinders w/sauce, buttered mixed vegetables, cheese fingers, bread/butter, deep dish appl pie, milk.

Friday: Grilled cheese sandwich, kernel corn and tomato casserole, carrot sticks, rosy applesauce, peanut butter chocolate cookies, milk.

PHELPS

Monday: Juice, frankfurt on buttered roll,, relish, mustard whole kernel corn, pineapple crisp w/cheese wedge, milk.

Tuesday: Sloppy Joe on buttered bun, tossed green salad w/ spinach greens, potato chips, orange wedges, milk.

Wednesday: Meat loaf w/creole sauce, mashed potatoes, buttered green beans, bread/butter, cookies, milk.

Thursday: Juice, hamburg on buttered bun, relish, onion slices, catsup, buttered carrots, applesauce cake, milk.

mashed potatoes, cabbage carrot salad, bread/butter, cream filled doughnut, milk.

tomato sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, sliced pears,

buttered roll, mustard, relish, seven minute cabbage, pineapple

mato sauce, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, jellow/topping, milk.

buttered roll, cheese sticks, but-tered vegetables, jelly donut,

fish or peanut butter sandwich, tossed salad, potato chips, dessert,

table soup, crackers, celery sticks, grilled bacon/cheese on rye, apple cookie, milk.

salad, buttered Vienna bread, fruit cup, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna fish sail-boat, peanut butter sandwich, ter on rye, cherry cake w/top-

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American Presidency Film Now Available

A special documentary in color on "The American Presidency" is currently being distributed to junior and senior high school social studies classes in more than 70 area schools by Western Mass. Electric Co.

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LEGAL NOTICES

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
AGAWAM, MASS.

March 11, 1969
Notice is hereby given under
Chapter 138 of the General Laws,
that the Agawam Sportsmen's
Club, Inc., Jack Cirillo, Manager,
has applied for a license to seil
Alcoholic Beverages as a Club at
100 Corey Street in cinder block
building consisting of meeting
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room; all on ground floor.
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Thursday: Juice, hamburg on buttered bun, relish, onion slices, catsup, buttered carrots, applesauce cake, milk.

Friday: Fish sticks w/catsup, mashed potatoes, cabbage carrot salad, bread/butter, cream filled loughnut, milk.

ROBINSON PARK

Monday: Spaghetti w/meat comato sauce, buttered green seans, bread/butter, sliced pears, milk.

Thesday: Juice, frankfurt on puttered roll, mustard, relish, seven minute cabbage, pineapple risp, milk.

Wednesday: Meat balls in tomato sauce, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, jel. workfore, milk.

Thursday: Juice, sloppy Joe on uttered roll, cheese sticks, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, jel. milk.

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Loyal Order of Moose AGAWAM LODGE No. 1935

WHO'S YOUR MAN?

The Nominating Committee met on Friday, March 7th at St. Theresa's Hall and are working hard on selecting the MEN who are to lead them this next year. This committee consists of each elective officer, plus 5 Past Governors. (This being the MOOSE first year in existence leaves us lacking Past Governors) in order of juniority and 5 members of the lodge who are appointed by Governor Bissonnette, Sid Way, Frank Bray, Earl Chrisholm, Al Lamonica and Fred Durocher.

The Nominating Committee should realize that they have a very important and serious responsibility in determinating the nomination of nominees for office. It is much more than getting to-gether and nominating just any one whose name might be presented. THEIR responsibility is to weigh, very carefully, the proposed nominees, exercise judgment and declare nominees only who are in the category of being capable, qualified and those who will give of themselves to

The future of the lodge rests in the hands of tthe Nominaing Committee and their selection of nominees. IT certainly should NEVER be considered to nominate a member of the lodge just because he is a FRIEND, a good time CHARLEY etc., because it takes MORE than just a casual service to be a successful officer. Actually, the success of the next fiscal year is determined by the Nominating Committee and the nominees they select. If they come up with a GOOD list, they they have done their job. The future is THEN in the hands of these nominees. BUT, if the Nominating Committee does a half way job, then there is the probability that there will be a half way job done by the nominees, so we say to the NOM-INATING COMMITTEE serve well, accept your duties and responsibilities, exercise your best judgment and assure another good year in the lodge under

the men you have selected. IS YOURS A FRIENDLY LODGE?

When one steps into your lodge, does he have a warm, "feeling of a brother"?. ARE there smiles and handshakes or is the welcome mat cold and damp? Do you as an officer or member extend the hand of fellowship to the brother who belongs to your lodge and the visitor who wishes to visit your lodge? Membership alone in any lodge or society does not indicate that this automatically makes any person qualified to be a good member. What he does about it as a member is the thing that counts. How much interest do you show in a candidate? One of the first things he will notice is whether his friends are there, or didn't they have enough interest to be with him when he was going through the marvelmember of the MOOSE FRA-TERNITY.

We wish you to come to know and experience the benefits and joys of this great brotherhood in the only way in which you can participate to the fullest extent on a one-to-one individual basis. The touch of a comforting hand, the warmth of the brotherly concern, the cheer of the kind word, or the joy of the smiling greeting, cannot be adequately transmitted through a group to a group. YOU, AND YOU ALONE, can receive this personal gift from another. COME

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MEET YOUR MEMBERS. . Come to the free smorgasbord to be held March 22 Saturday, at 7 p. m. at the MOOSE LODGE

on North St. See you there? BRIEFLY AROUND THE LODGE

Chairman Ernie thanks everyone who helped in any way and all who attended the March 8th Spaghetti Supper make it a complete success. Gov. Bissonnette appointed a SPORTS COMMITTEE consisting of Chairman Walter Kane; co-chair-man George Perry and Lou Rob-

We are all missed by former Secretary Bill and Barbara Mitchell who write from Flori-da, "Say hi" to the crowd for us." We surely MISS them.

Attend your Moose Meetings on Tuesdays — 8 p.m. Please be on

The lodge rooms are open for a friendly visit starting at 6 p.m. during the week and Bar Manager George Gebo announced longer hours on the weekends. See YOU there?

Art-History Group To Tour N.Y. City

Saturday 31 members of a combined Art-History group from Agawam High School will jour-ney to New York City on a chartered bus for a well planned day of activities. They will be accompanied by Miss Geraldine Schilling and Mr. Werner Stocker of the faculty.

The group will tour Lincoln Center; lunch at the Metropolitan Museum of Art where they will spend several hours viewing their offerings; take an afternoon ferry boat ride; dine at Stoffers Top of the Sixes and attend the evening performance of Dustin Hoffman's new Broadway comedy, "Jimmie Shine."

Students making the trip will be: Alex Loss, Cathy Mahoney, Denise Ashton, Brad Alheim, Mary Ann Kilmay, Jane Bitgood, Debbie Ploof, Shirley Melanson, Clair Melanson, Evelyn Pisegna, Susan Litchfield, Ann Bieshaw, Karen Torrie, James Dempsey, Angela Vassallo, Rod LaMothe, Robin Rennell, Betty Kozikowski, Terry Beaulieu, Beth Bottaro, Nancy LeFleur, Judy Massa, Richard Massa, Pattie Doyle, Donna Caesan, Vickey Shibley, Nancy Andrews, Steve Nooney, Debbie Gorrsche, Glen Seymore, and Sherry Sausville.

A good husband is one who never does anything behind his wife's back except zip her up.

Historical Assn. To Meet Mar. 19

The next meeting of the Agawam Historical Association will be held on Wednesday, March 19th at the Captain Charles Leonard House at 8 p.m. Guest speaker will be Miss Viva Potter, association member and a retired teacher of the Agawam School System. Her button collection is well known as are the stories of her various displays. Refreshments will be served.

The Historical Association wishes to inform the residents of the town that it will be most half hours later. happy to accept any pieces of furniture, identified photos, books, tools or other items that may be of interest to future generations.

At present there is no "HOME" as such for these items, but hopefully, one day we shall own a display area in the town where these pieces will be tagged as to DATE, OWNER and DONOR. Also, any history involvd with these pieces shall be recorded.

All too often, many choice items of our early settlers have been stored away in attics to succumb to dust and extremes of weather thereby becoming unfit for use or display. How fitting, if years from now, future gen-erations could see pieces their ancestors used in forming this

Anyone interested in further information should contact any member of the Agawam Historical Association or Mrs. Richard Curry, 6 South West St., Feed-ing Hills, RE 7-9139.



Deborah A. Gaunt of 28 Doane St., Agawam, a liberal arts student at Salem State College, Salem, Mass., has been named to the Dean's List for the first

Never-fail Chocolate Frosting

ounces bitter chocolate 1 14-ounce can sweetened con-

densed milk. 1 pinch salt

1 teaspoon vanilla

1 tablespoon butter.

Combine chocolate, condensed milk, and salt in a double broiler and cook until chocolate is melted and the mixture is thick and smooth, about 10 minutes. Remove from heat. Add vanilla and butter. Place pan in bowl of cold water and beat until thick and creamy. If it gets too thick, thin with a little cream. Fill and frost two-layer, 9-inch cake when cold.

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The Agawam Independent-Thursday, March 13, 1969 Page 5 St. Patrick's Day Parade

In Color On WWLP Sunday

Holyoke's annual St. Patrick's sonalities Kitty Broman and Rol-Parade will be televised by lie Jacobs will handle the com-WWLP-Channel 22 again this year, and for the first time the parade telecast will be in full color. Air time Sunday, March 23, will be 1:30 p.m., with continuous coverage until the end of the parade some two-and-a-

will be stationed near the reviewing stand on High Street, and three color cameras will be positioned to cover the parade from all angles. For the first time the full beauty of elaborate floats and the colorful uniforms of bands and marching units will be brought to Channel 22 view-

WWLP hostess Kitty Broman and News Director Ed Kennedy will describe the parade, as they did last year. This marks the 13th year that Channel 22 has televised the parade.

Two other remote telecasts, in black and white, will also be devoted to the Holyoke celebration. The major social event, the Coronation Ball at the Mount Tom Ballroom Wednesday, March 19, will be seen from 10 to 11 p.m.

The highlight of this hour will be the naming of the Parade Colleen who will preside over various events of the week's celebration. During the telecast there will be the presentation of awards to officials connected with the celebration. These are the Parade Marshall Award to James Millane; the Outstanding Citizenship Award to Robert E. Barrett, Jr.; the George O'Connell Award to Bernard M. Lavelle; and the Tom Rowan Award to Michael McIntyre. WWLP per-

mentary.

The Bishop's Mass at St. Jerome's Church Saturday, March 22, will be telecast from 6 to 7 p.m. Most Rev. Christopher J. Weldon, Bishop of Springfield, will be the celebrant. He will A special Mobile Color Unit John F. Kennedy Memorial Award to Cardinal Richard Cushing, Archbishop of Boston; and the Cardinal will respond.

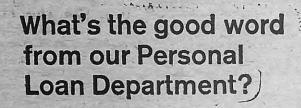
This award is made each year to an Outstanding American of Irish descent. It was renamed in honor of the late President, who was the first recipient in 1958, after his assassination. Other previous recipients were, in order, Bishop Jeremiah J. Minihan, former Mayor John F. Collins of Boston, Bishop Weldon, Bob Considine, William Gargan, Atty. James B. Donovan, James J. Shea, Senator Edward M. Kennedy, boxer Tommy Loughran, and Lawrence F. O'Brien.

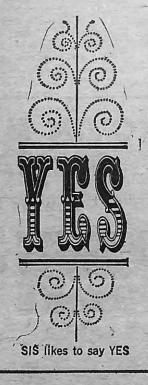
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During these same years of basic improvements, three innovations were created by Cortland that have since become accepted as standard equipment by the ever-growing fly rod fishing fraternity: The White Fly Line (333 Moon-Glo) broke with the dark line tradition and allowed greater visibility to the angler. The 333 Sink-Tip Taper . . . only the first 20 ft. of line sink, while balance of line rides high on water for easy pickup in casting. Great for nymph and wet fly fishing. That the Red Fluorescent Fly Line (333 Glo-Line) made any fisherman the outstanding angler on a given chase one for the 1969-1970 year,

ible than white on misty days, and the fish were just as unawares of the color as the white

Add my favorite Cortland 333 Sinking fly lines in mediumsinking, fast-sinking and extrafast-sinking densities and you have indeed covered the fly rod fishing waterfront, from top to bottom. We use the sinking lines trolling for trout in Mass, and bordering states. Where it really produces is on Lake St. John, Quebec, Canada, where every year a large group of local anglers troll for the land-lock salmon. Sinking lead line used to be very popular till the extra-fast-sinking fly line came on the

The NRA National Championships will return to Camp Perry, Ohio, once again this year. Dates are Aug. 2-25 inclusive.

In detail, the NRA reported that approximately 2,000 competitors and 300 volunteer workers combined their talents and efforts last August to make an overwhelming success of the 1968 Championships. Donations received last year, totalling \$35,-000, helped defray expenses, and the staff urged individuals, organizations and corporations to donate funds for the 1969 matches for the same purpose.

Last year, the U. S. Army withdrew its support for the national event, and as a consequence NRA was forced to impose a quota on the number of shooters in each classification -Master, Expert, Sharpshooter, Marksman. This year, however, limitations on the total number of shooters will be based on range capacity only.



Harry Leonardi, chairman of the Outdoor Center Committee, announced that there will be a committee meeting on Tuesday,

March 18th at 8 p.m.
On Thursday, March 20th
there will be a board meeting

A few Birthday Community Calendars are left at the YMCA office. If you would like to purstretch of water. Even more vis- call the Agawam YMCA office.

TACKLE BOXES

A well-stocked and well-kept tackle box is every bit as important to the angler as a nicely-appointed home is to his wife. Both keep the indi-vidual happy and more successful in doing what they set out to do.

A good tackle box is the angler's suitcase, say the fishing authorities at Mercury out-boards, and although he will replace small items from time to time there are essentials that he will need wherever he is fishing.

A well-stocked box will carmany items other than plugs and extra hooks. It should have a place for a pair of sunglasses, a real eye-saver on days when the sun is glinting off the water.

An unbreakable tube of suntan oil should be included, for those days when no shade can be found and yet the fisherman wants to stay out and keep catching fish. Also an unbreakable container of mosquito repellent can be invaluable when the little pesky ones get rough.

Another small item that we hope never to use but still carry for insurance is a snake bite kit. A bite from a poisonous snake is almost as rare as elephantiasis, but it pays to be

A small pocket compass is an item that will take up little space in the tackle box, but can be a life saver when it is needed. If possible get one with a lid on it, the lid will protect the compass cover and

Most anglers include a pair of long-nosed pliers in their box, as handy as a pocket in a shirt when it comes to getting a hook out of a fish's mouth. Choose a pair with side cutters on them, so if the occas. ion arises you could cut off a hook, were one imbedded in someone's epidermis. A light plastic raincoat will fit in most boxes, and can save a day ruined by rain.

Oh, yes, carry some lures, too. You just might get to do some fishing.

False-Alarm Curb?

Boston - Statistics show that false alarms to which fire apparatus respond occur at the rate of one every 12 minutes in Boston, but a city official says a new computer program will eliminate this problem.

The system will enable the fire department to predict, on the basis of many factors, which alarm box will be the target for the next false alarm and to have personnel on the scene to arrest the offender, Mr. Kelley said.

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The Coast Guard also cooperates with other federal agencies in law enforcement operations.

POLOPEK GRADUATES AT NAS, PENSACOLA

PENSACOLA, Fla. (FHTNC) -Marine Second Lieutenant Robert C. Polopek, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Polopek of 61 Senator Ave., Agawam, was graduated from Flight Systems School at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla.

The four week course included basic aerodynamics, aviation physiology, naval air operations, air navigation, physical fitness, powhe successfully completed rigid er plants and accessories, and swimming.

> He will now move to the next phase of training under the Naval Aviation Program.

Pots of Gold, Rainbows, Ghosts, **Hobgoblins and Little People**

days that are so revered, so looked forward to, and such a delight to so many in this country as St. Patrick's Day.

In New York, where there are more people from "the auld sod" than in Dublin, the festive day is celebrated with perhaps more exuberance than in any other part of the country. From the moment that the painted line down the middle of Fifth Avenue miraculously changes from white to green, the huge city turns itself into happy confusion to honor the patron saint of the Emerald Isle.

The reason for this is that of all the people in the world, the Irish have kept perhaps the strongest ties to that land that bore them. And, no doubt equally important in keeping everyone aware of the country, is the traditional Irish quality of spinning the world's most horrendous yarns and stories. Why, even tthe songs they sing are filled with legends about pots of gold at the end of the rainbow, ghosts, hobgoblins, and most important, "the little people."

Come the 17th of March, families everywhere will be celebrating the famous day by wearing green neckties, shamrock pins, or by sporting clay pipes. Also, they will be eating the traditional Irish food for dinner.

The food of Ireland has just as proud national traditions as the people themselves. For the most part, it is simple food. But it is prepared in a delicious, mouth-watering way. There is just nothing that can ever the place of a succulent rich Irish

Few are the international holi- stew. For centuries this dish has been relished in every corner of the world. And it probably always will be.

Complementing the stew is the traditional Irish bread - Irish Soda Bread. This bread is now quite so well known in this country as is Irish stew, but it is a tradition that we can claim easily, thanks to the retail baker.

The traditional Irish Soda Bread is baked in the age-old form: in a round, mounded loaf with a cross scored on the top. It is a bread, studded with fat rich raisins and caraway seeds. Your retail baker is featuring it now, in time to serve to your family and friends for St. Patrick's Day dinner.

So, Erin go Bragh on March 17! If you're planning a party to celebrate the day, or if you just want something a little different to serve, try the Irish Soda Bread that your baker is featuring. Just to taste it almost guarantees a visit from the leprachauns who will undoubtedly leave a pot of gold beneath your dining room table - thus repaying you a thousand times over the pittance that the loaf cost in the first place!



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GRINDERS TO GO

N.E. Flower Show Opens At Suffolk Saturday

New England Spring Garden & Flower Show pops into full bloom on Saturday, March 15, at noon, in Suffolk Downs in East Boston, for nine days.

Sponsored by Massachusetts Horticultural Society, this dazzling spectacle of brilliant flowers, shrubs and trees in beautiful garden settings is a colorful preview of Spring. Theme of this spectacular pageant is: "Spring Time-Garden Fun Time."

Travelers to Europe often find the biggest thrill is touring the fabulous French gardens. This international flavor will also fascinate the visitor to the 1969 N. E. Garden & Flower Show.

A well-known French gardener, Jean-Claude Jubin, came especially to the United States to create a superb setting at this mam-moth show for Oak Hill Nurseries in Westwood.

Reminiscent of a lovely French open at 1 p. m.

Spring arrives a week ahead park, Jubin's design features a of the calendar when 98th annual brilliant mosaic encompassing a small reflecting pool. The entire Oakwood garden will be enclosed with a beautifuly sculptured boxwood hedge.

> The mosaic will consist of a design of plants, begonias, marigolds and lavenders. In the background, an evergreen hedge, laurels and azaleas will complete the international setting.

> These international gardens are just one segment of the mammoth array of settings in this annual salute to Spring.

In addition to floral extravaganza in this show, the latest in gardening tools, supplies and techniques will be featured. Films and demonstrations will be presented throughout the nine days.

The show opens at noon on Saturday, March 15, and show hours will be 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. daily except Sundays when doors

American Legion Post 185

Saturday, March 15th — The corned-beef and cabbage, carrots Legion will celebrate its 50th potatoes, rolls and butter, cake birthday with an Irish Night open to the public. Cmdr. Bernie and President Gladys Belcher are co-chairmen of this joint affair. Post and Unit members who have free time are asked to assist in decorating and setting up tables the night before. Help will be needed the afternoon of the party preparing the food. Donations of cupcakes will also be appreciated.

The supper will be served from 7 to 9 p.m. and will include

KINDS OF CROSSES

Legend says that the crucifixion cross was made of four types of wood-to represent the four corners of the earth.

The simple Latin cross, with an upright and single shorter transom, is the commonest. With two transoms it is called a partriarchal cross; with three, a papal cross.

A cross widely used by Slavs and others of Eastern rites has two transoms and a slanting crosspiece below. The Greek cross has equal arms. St. Andrew's cross is like an X; The Celtic, or Iona, cross bears a circle, the center of which is the crossing.



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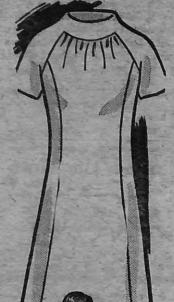
Mrs. Barbara Connor will make and donate the birthday cake. An orchestra will play for dancing from 9 until 1 a.m. Reservations may be made with the committee or at the Legion Home.

Sunday, March 16th — The Post will entertain the Leeds hospital bowling team at Riverside Park alleys in the afternoon. Mrs. Jane Whalen, chairman, and Auxiliary members will serve a corned-beef and cabbage supper to the men at the Legion Home on their return, Gifts will be presented to the patients before they go back to the hospital that evening.

Only three more members are needed for the Auxiliary to re-ceive the Department of Massachusetts citation as a quota unit, before March 15th.

Chairman Jennie Bousquet reported a successful "Washington Twirl" and placed the profit from the event in the Unit's General Fund at the last meet-

The next meeting of the Unit will be held on Monday, March 17th, when plans will be made for the initiation of new members in Aprii.



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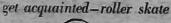
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Beat —

Jo-Ann Della-Giustina

Last Tuesday at East Longmeadow High the AHS Math Team participated in a Math Meet for all schools in Western Mass. The team, made up of seven seniors and one junior is having a successful season. They will go to Dartmouth College in the near future for an interstate meet that is being set up and run by the students at Dartmouth. Also, the members will learn basic computer programming from their adviser, Mr. Burns. Good luck to the team for the Dartmouth meet.

SPORTS

Congratulations to the basketball and hockey teams for successful seasons. Both teams did better than average, the basketball team won a spot in the Western Mass. Tournament, in which they played a good game against Commerce.

Starting soon will be the spring sports at Agawam High. The teams now organizing are the baseball, track, golf, and tennis teams. Good luck for successful

MODEL CONGRESS

The AHS delegates to AIC's Model Congress are preparing for the 1969 session which will be held on March 28 and 29. Their bill is to set up National Primaries and abolish the Convention system. Presently, they are preparing support for their bill, that will first go into committee and then into the House and

Senate. We hope they pass that bill! ! !

COMING EVENTS: Plans for the Prom, "Camelot," in full swing. . .George Bickford will represent AHS at "Good Government Day" in Boston on March 28. . . Graduation in three months!



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By ANNA D. BISSONNETTE

BRIEFLY AROUND

THE POST HOME When reporting on Holyoke Soldiers Home Beano, we failed to mention Fran and Adam Link, who try NEVER to MISS their visit to the hospital. And did you know that ALL the cupcakes were made and donated by Katy Dickinson?

Happy to see most all our sick members up and getting about ... except Ida Bondi at the Spring-Hospital, Room 431 and Rose Mandrioli, home with a serious cold.

P. C. Tet Giminanni, attended Western County Council meeting at Post No. 6189 on March 6th and will bring information back to our Post.

NETKOVICK VFW POST HEAD

Much to our dismay the person that wrote the Daily News, March 8th VFW article chose the word ELECTED. There was NO election. . The word should have been "advanced" in office. These men are merely moving up a step in the VFW due to the absence of a commander.

Adolph C. Netkovick of 316 Montcalm St. Fairview will take over all duties of Commander. Comdr. Netkovick has held other offices in the VFW, last year as Sr. Vice-Comdr. and as Poppy Chairman.

Mahlon D. Inman of 1327 Main St., Agawam has gone from Jr. Vice Comdr. to Senior Vice-Comdr. and also holds the posi-tion of clerk on the Board of Directors.

Past Comdr. Tom Dickinson of 51 Western Drive, is the new Jr. Vice-Comdr. filling the three top

Appointed "Bar Manager" by the Board of Directors was Wilfred H. Bissonnette of 21 Mulberry St. He announced that the Post Home is open every week day at 4 p. m.; every Saturday at 12 noon and every Sunday at 1 p. m. The girls serve clams, sandwiches and French fries on Friday nights but pizzas and small snacks are available every day. Patronize YOUR POST HOME, Come on down. We'd like to see more of our OLD Friends. NOMINATING COMMITTEE SELECTED

Selected to serve on the Nominating Committee were Orville Burt, Norm Wood and Roland These men have a hard and serious responsibility in the nomination of men for offices. The future of the Post rests in their judgment in selecting the of their ability and select some- takes the standard deduction. one who has the VFW's good at heart and not someone who is shown in the instructions, is

looking for PERSONAL PRES-TIGE. Certainly the future of the Post is in the hands of the nominees who are elected. . .LET'S DO A GRAND JOB. . .

SAVE A DATE

On March 16, Sunday there will be a get-to-gether for all interested men and discharged Vietnam veterans who may be eligible for membership. Rain or shine - 2 p.m. is the time and we hope all men who wish to become members of a great organization attend this get-to-gether. Department Service Officer, Rene Plouffe will be the guest speaker and a light lunch will be available. See you there?

COMMANDER'S CORNER This week's little bit of PHIL OSOPHY: HERE'S HOPING THAT "ONCE UPON A TIME" GOES ON AGAIN - SOME QUICK TOMORROW. . . adb

Comdr. Netkovick wishes all men who are able to "March" in the St. Patrick Day Parade contact him for more information.

Poppy Chairman for the men

is Mahlon Inman and for the women is Anna D. Bissonnette. Attend the meetings the first and third Mondays of the month, at the Post Home at 8 p.m. Please be on time.

TAX FACTS

The choice between itemizing deductions and taking the Standard Deduction on Federal income tax returns sometimes depends on good a taxpayer's records are, William E. Williams, District Director of Internal Revenue for Massachusetts, said today.

Unless deductions can be backed up by supporting documents records, a taxpayer may want to take one of the Standard Deductions. In that case, no records of contributions, taxes and interest paid or medical expenses need be kept Mr. Williams said.

Itemizing deductions will usual. ly result in lower taxes for those who own a home and have property taxes and interest on a mortgage to pay. Mr. Williams said it might also pay to itemize deductions for those who have made large charitable contributions, experienced heavy medical expenses or who suffered losses from storms, fire or theft.

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comes under \$5,000 when either the 10% or minimum standard deduction is claimed.

IRS Publication 528, "Information on Filing Your Tax Return," furnishes more detailed information on this subject. It may be obtained by dropping a post card to the District Director, Internal Revenue Service, J.F.K. Federal Building, Boston, Mass. 02203.

Round The Town



Six representatives of the Agawam High School Art Club which is under the supervision of Miss Geraldine Schilling of the faculty recently attended the Gov's Reception in Boston.

This group consisted of Sherry Sausville, president of the Art Club; Alexander Loss, treasurer; John Hawes; Dale Bewes; Cynthia Craig and Miss Claudia Ojala, the group's chaperon.

The delegation wandered through the crowded corridors and viewed many of the more interesting rooms in the Capitol Building. The highlight of the trip was when the group passed through the receiving line and met Gov. Sargent.

Mrs. Frank J. Meyer, Jr., and daughter Garma, of 77 Birch Hill Rd., Agawam, have returned from a weekend in New York, where they met with Mrs. Meyer's sister, Mrs. Lloyd Chiles of St. Petersburg, Fla. Mrs. Chiles is in New York attending a seminar for the Heart Fund of St. Petersburg. Miss Garma Meyer, a student at Northeastern College in Boston, has been spending a few days with her parents during the semester break.



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A program of air photos and geological research will start immediately and a mixed commit-tee of UNESCO and the Italian scientists will be set up in Venice, the CNR said.

Antonio Franco, the president

ROME — The UN Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the Italian National Council for Reuary the city was sinking "fast, unexpectedly" and called for an immediate action program.

The city, which has sunk 5.3 inches since 1908, is manaced by high tides that repeatedly flood the famous St. Mark's Square and leave buildings along the hundreds of canals in a permanently wet condition.

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